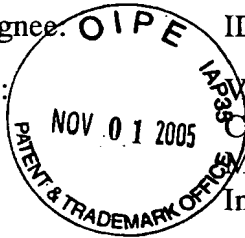


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Clocked Source, Intermediate, and Destination Circuits While  
Maintaining Orderly and Timely Processing in One or Both of the  
Intermediate and Destination Circuits



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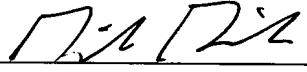
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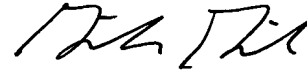
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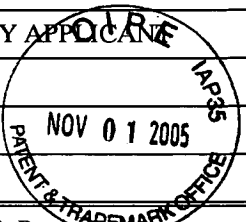


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